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**MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Walt F. Rostow**  
**Special Assistant to the President**  
**The White House**

**SUBJECT : Infiltration**

1. On 11 June you sent a short memorandum to Mr. Helms and General Wheeler requesting a community view on infiltration from North Vietnam during 1968. I understand that General Wheeler is sending you a DIA memorandum on this subject. My staff has reviewed this memorandum in detail and advises me that the substantive judgment and estimates in the DIA memorandum are the best that can be made at this time.

2. The collection, research, and analysis of information on infiltration are conducted on a continuous and urgent basis in this Agency. Whenever there are any new insights or information, they are reported promptly; the most recent summary on infiltration appeared in our daily, The Situation in Vietnam of 23 May. Infiltration was also one of the topics covered in the Intelligence Memorandum, North Vietnam's Ability to Withstand Manpower Attrition, which Mr. Helms sent you on 12 June in response to a request from the President. I want to assure you that CIA and DIA analysts consult almost daily and that we will continue to report on this subject as the situation develops.

/s/ Rufus Taylor

Rufus Taylor  
Vice Admiral, US Navy  
Deputy Director

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